crores of excise duty from M/s. National Tobacco Company, Calcutta have been finalised;

(b) if so, what is the outcome thereof; and

(c) if not, by when these are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) The adjudication proceedings against M/s. National Tobacco Company, Calcutta regarding recovery of Rs. 4.08 crores could not be finalised as the Company has obtained an interim order from the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta restraining the Department from passing of a final order without leave of the Court. The adjudication proceedings in this case will be resumed on vacation of the injunction by the Court.

Inadequate tourist facilities at Holy Places in India

312. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item published in the Hindustan Times of the 15th October, 1985 to the effect that the rich Thai Tourists shy off India for fear of epidemics and poor lodging facilities;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the leader of a delegation on a pilgrimage to the holy places of Budhism recently stated that rich Thais preferred to go to Europe despite the religious attraction towards India; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND TOURISM (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) The Government has seen the Press report.

(c) The Department of Tourism through its Office, in Bangkok has stepped up its promotional activities in Thailand to attract. That Budhist Piligrim trhffic to India Participation in Buddhist Exhibitions, production of films audio visuals on Buddha, Thai language editions of tourist publicity material has been augmented. Familiarisation tours to India of Travel Agents and Tour Operators as well as media persons have also been enhanced. Also steps are being taken in consultation with the Governments of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh to improve the infrastructure at the Buddhist holy places.

Increase in NTC workers' salary

313. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the workers of the National Textile Corporation in Uttar Pradesh have demanded increase in their wages;

(b) whether Government have agreed to increase the wages of Kano textile workers; if so, to what extent;

(c) whether Government are also considering to increase the wages of textiles workers in other States; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does no tarise.

Working results of Public Sector Banks

314. SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Bank of India and other public Sector